## ENCOURAGING

A SLIGHT CHANGE FOR THE BETTER

A Variable Day at the White House-Particles o Bone Coming from the Wound-The Fractured Rib-False Rumors Affoat-Agnew Takes Charge.

There was considerable anxiety manifested throughout the Executive Departments yes-terday regarding the President's condition, and the morning bulletin was not at all gratifying. A prominent Treasury official, during the course of prominent Treasury official, during the course of conversation on the subject, expressed the opinion that it would be far more satisfactory to the gen-eral public if the attending surgeons would be more explicit and explain the patient's condition more in detail in the official bulletins. The ar-rangement which has been made providing for the constant attendance of one of the consulting surgeons is received with great satisfaction, at though there is an unmistakable evidence of the prevalence of a more uneasy feeling throughout the city than has been manifested since the first few days after the shooting occurred. It is exhibited in a more quiet manner and only observed through conversation. For about an hour during the early afternoon a rumor was circulated on the streets that Dr. Agnew had decided upon and was performing a

VERY CRITICAL OPERATION upon the President. In a short time the story was greatly exaggerated, some saying that the bullet had been found and taken out, leaving the patient extremely weak, and it was not thought that he would rally. It is believed from what has transpired that the story was deliberately started for the purpose of affecting the stock market, inasmuch as it was telegraphed from the city by persons who had every facility for obtaining the facts in the case. The excitement occasioned by the rumor subsided as suddenly as it started, being promptly denied by those near the President. For instance, Colonel Rockwell, who is in the President's chamber almost constantly, in answer to an inquiry on the subject, said there was no truth in the report and that another operation had not been spoken of. A gentleman who visited the Mansion the tack and ability to do it quietly. Her familiarity with the family ways renders her doubly of the family saw Mrs. Garfield, who told him that her bushed's condition was quite encouraging; that he was certainly better than he was Monday, and that he was resting comfortably. About the time the exciting rumor was circulating here advices from New York were received by a number of Government officials and others that the excitement in that city was intense, and requesting the latest news. Treasurer Gilfillan roceived a telegram from Assistant United States Treasurer Hillhouse stating that there was

GREAT EXCITEMENT ON THE STREETS, and that all sorts of rumors were aftest concerning the President's condition, some of which indicated that he would live but a short time. The Treasurer had just returned to his office from the White House when he received the telegram, and at once replied, stating that the President's condition yesterday was more favorable, and that, generally speaking, he was better. Information obtained speaking, he was better. Information obtained from the surgeons, who, by the way, have become noticeably reticent, does not appear to warrant any immediate anxiety regarding the patient, in-asmuch as they all, including Dr. Agnew, agree that his condition is as favorable as could reasonably be expected.

President Garfield has been sick for jutwenty-four days, but yesterday perhaps there was more doubt and uncertainty about his condition then upon any previous day. The city was full of rumors of the most startling character, and at every street-corner some new account could be heard purporting to come directly from the White House. The various rumors were of such a posi-tive character that the public did not know what to think or believe. One man was sheard relating to a knot of listeners that he had just came from the White House and had seen Dr. Biles, who had told him that the President could not live through the day. Another man stood at the gates of the White House and maintained that the President was already dead, and in confirmation of this statement pointed to the flag which was flying at half-mast from the top of the Department of Jus-tice building in respect to the memory of the late Justice Clifford. While the majority of the rumon

possible and yet keep within the facts. The origin of all the various rumors was, no doubt, the morning bulletin, which stated that the President had fever during the night. This was a very unusual symptom, and, coupled with the fact that his pulse was quite high, caused a great deal of uneasiness and gave rise to the numerous unfavorable reports The doctors were reticent, and

REFUSED TO SAY ANYTHING about the President's condition. This shut off all positive information and gave new life to the streetalk. It was feared that the discharge of pus had ceased, and the fatal consequences of this were well known. Dr. Agnew was at the house early and the dectors had a long consultation. It was stated that they had decided to perform another operation, and it was telegraphed to New York however, contradicted, and the information cam from the sick room that no operation had been performed. They had discovered that there was some obstruction to the flow of pus, and after a thorough examination Dr. Agnew inserted his fin ger in the new opening, and with the aid of small pair of forceps drew out a

PIECE OF THE PRACTURED RIB. about half an inch long. This piece had fallen directly over the course of the wound and neted as a sort of dam to the pus. The old drainage tube was taken out and a larger one inserted in the new opening, thus greatly facilitating the discharge of pus. The course of the wound was then clear, and the doctors were very much gratified. The en couraging news from the sick room became a more cheerful appearance. There was, however but little abatement of the street rumors, and the public mind was in a great state of doubt and un-certainty. There seemed to be a more pronounced distrust of the official bulleting, and a feeling that the doctors were concealing the true condition of the President. The doctors, however, maintained their reticence, and the only source of informa tion was from the Cabinet officers and others wh

WAS RESTING EASIER. and his prospects had been greatly improved Toward evening Dr. illias came out of the White House to enter his carriage. He spoke very cheer fully of the President's condition, and said that he was better now than he had been for the past five days. The doctors now very soldem come out into the public rooms, and when they have occa alon to leave the house they go down by the private stair-case, and thus avoid the fusi questions with which they ar assailed by the group of anxious waiters for news. It is understood that Dr. Agnow has ad-vised his associates to make the official bulleting more full, and not talk about the President's con dition to members of the press. Both of these measures were put into operation yesterday. Dr Royburn came out last evening for a few mi

and in response to questions be replied that
HE HAD NOTHING TO MAY,
and then beat a hasty retreat. The other doctors are equally reticent. The condition of the Presi dent had so much improved that toward evening Mrs. Garneld went out driving, and so did others or the President's attendants. The bulletin that was issued at seven o'clock was the best that has be-issued so far. This refers not so much to t issued so far. This refers not so much to the improvement in the President's condition as to the details that were given. Instead of the cut-and-dried formula that has characterized the bulletins so far, "The President passed a comfortable day. Pulse, &c," the bulletin cor veyed some idea of the true state of affairs. This will do a great deal toward restoring public conticouraging feature of the bulletin was the state couraging feature of the billetin was the state-ment that the discharge of pus was satisfactorily abundant. This served to allay the fears that there was any stoppage in the discharge. It is stated that now the entire course of the wound is free, and no further complica-tions from the fractured rib are apprehended. Whether another pus cavity will form along the course of the wound is not known. Dr. Agnew said that it was possible for a pus cavity to be Arthur remained at his house all day to-day. A formed at any point along the course of the wound.

The doctors can only wait and waich and be requested to go to Washington, and that it was Mr, guided in their treatment by future developments.

Arthur's opinion that the President would recover.

There is no doubt that they feel greatly encour-

aged and that the President's condition
B MUCH INPROVED.
This is the statement made by all the Cabinet officers last evening. They were all busily en-gaged last evening in sending telegrams in re-spouse to the numerous inquiries that had come in during the day from all parts of the country. Secretary Blaine said that the President's condi-tion was very encouraging, and he was better than he had been for the past five days. The elegrams sent out were of a very encourage nature. Dr. Agnewwill return home this morni after the President's wound has been dressed. Hamilton will come to-day. It is stated at the White Hauss that probably it will not be necessary for Dr. Agnew to come back again, but still that depends altogether on the President's condition. Dr. Boynton expressed himself last night as being very much encouraged about the President. There was but little fover yesterday afternoon, and

that was relieved by bathing with ice-water, so that soon after the issue of the bulletin he was rethat soon after the issue of the bulletin he was re-ported as falling into a quiet sleep. Dr. Boyoton and the President are united by strong ties of na-ture, their fathers being half brothers and their mothers sisters. The affection and confidence existing between them have been that of brothers. Dr. Boynton and his wife the levels and accomplished daughand his wife, the lovely and accomplished daugh-ter of the late Professor Thorne, of Oberlin Col-lege, were members of the party at Atlantic City until rummoned thence by the fatal accident to this sister. After the President was shot Dr. Boynton telegraphed on that if he could be of any assistance he would come. Mrs. Garfield immediately telegraphed for him to come. Owing to a previous telegram he had gone out in the country, and did not receive the one from Mrs. Garfield until July 5, when he at once started for Washington. At first there was a little hesitancy about admit-ting any new faces to the sick-room, but when the President Jearned that his cousin was in the city the purpose of affecting the stock market, inasmuch as it was telegraphed from the city by persons who had every facility for obtaining the facts in the case. The excitement occasioned by the illustrious patient from five in the morning until

Secretary.

Secretary in the President's physicians At eleven octock p. m. the President's physicians are eleven octock p. m. the President's physicians report temperature and respiration normal and pulse 96, best report at same hour for five nights. The entire day has been most encouraging and a feeling of confidence is rapidly returning.

BLAINE, Secretary.

THE BULLETINS YESTERDAY.

The Early Alarm is Dissipated by Later

Intelligence. EXECUTIVE MANSION, July 26, 8:30 a. m .-The President was somewhat restless during the night, and the fever, which had subsided after our last bulletin, rose again about midnight and con-tinued till three a. m., after which it again subsided. He is now about as well as yesterday at the same hour. Pulse, 102; temperature, 98.4°; respiration, 18.

J. K. BARNES,
J. J. WOODWARD,

ROBERT REYBURN EXECUTIVE MANSION, 7 p. m.—The President has done well during the day. At the dressing of his wound after the morning bulletin was issued a displaced spienium of the broken rib, about half an inch long, was removed. The track of the wound at this point was dilated and a larger drainage tube inserted for the purpose of facili-tating the discharge of pus. Since that time he has had several quiet name, has taken more nour-ishment than any of the last five days without gastric irritation, and when the wound was dressed this evening the discharge of healty pus was satisfactorily abundant. At noon his pulse was 106 temperature, 98.4°; respiration, 19. At seven p. m. pulse, 104; temperature, 100.7°; respiration, 22. D. HAYES AGNEW.

D. W. BLISS. J. K. BARNES. J. J. WOODWARD. ROBERT REYBURN.

UNOFFICIAL BULLETINS. EXECUTIVE MANSION, July 26, 11:10 a. m.—The President at this hour is resting comfortably, and

12 m.—Colonel Rockwell, who just came from the President's chamber, says the patient is resting very comfortably, and he considers that he is doing as well as could reasonably be expected under the circumstances. In response to a ques-tion whether there had been or would be any further operations performed on the President, he said: "No; there has been but the one operation and, judging from present indications, we do no anticipate that any more will be necessitated. Continuing, the Colonel said that at the morning dressing of the wound the surgeons took several small pieces of bone from the wound, which were supposed to be from the fractured rib.

2:20 p. m.—The reports which have been tele-graphed hence to-day to the effect that a serious operation was performed this forenoon for the pur pose of removing a part of the President's fract rib are without foundation. The wound has not been touched sluce the morning dressing, and the only "operation" performed then was the pulling out by Dr. Bliss with his finger of two or three small spiculæ of splintered bone, which clogged the passage and impeded the outflow of pus. The surgeons do not admit that there is anything critical or dangerous in the President's condition this afternoron. On the contrary, they say he has had a fairly comfortable day; that the discharge from the wound this morning, although not larg was not so scanty as to indicate any new compli cation; that the patient at this hour (2:20 p. m.) is free from fever, and is resting quietly, and that his neral condition is at least as good as it was yes

4 p. m.-The President has had a comfortable day; and, in the opinion of the surgeons, is better now than he was at this time yesterday. His temperature during the greater part of the afternoo has been normal, his pulse not high, and his gen eral condition good. There has been no recur rence up to this hour of the afternoon fever.

11:30 p. m.-There was a slight febrile rise late in however, and at this hour (11:30 p. m.) his tempera are and respiration are normal, his pulse is below 30, and he is sleeping quietly and soundly. His ondition is thought by the attending surgeous to be more favorable now than at any time since the

chill of last Saturday morning. A Crists Not Generally Known. A Washington dispatch to the Cleve

and Leader of the 24th says : There were many rumors affect to-day about the President, and his condition was made out to be

much worse than it really was.

"Do you remember," asked the Heutenant detailed to command the United States troops in the Executive Mansion grounds to your correspondent to-day, "the last day I was stationed here? It

was on Tuesday, the 12th."
"Yes, I remember the day. It was when the
Fresident's pulse rose so much higher than at any

"Well, it rained very hard that night. I was ompelled to sleep in the East Room of the White House. You may not know it, but the physicians nearly morning. All the members of the Cabinet were present, and a Justice of the Supreme Court was at hand to administer the oath. The physi-cians had no idea that the President would live brough the night. He did though, and improved so much before daylight that the Cabinet all left for home. It was agreed not to say anything about it, and the newspapers never had an inkling of

I seem to come here on unlucky days," continsed the officer. "I was here on the first day of th shooting, on the night of the 12th, when he was so bad, and again to-day, when he has had his

NEW YORK, July 26.-Vice-President

LYING ABOUT CONKLING. THE JERSEY COAST. What the ex-Senator Has to Say About

LETTER FROM ATLANTIC CITY

Densely-Packed Cars with People Rushing to the Salt Water-The Sea and the Silvery Sheen-The Carfield Cot-

secial Correspondence of THE REPUBLICAN.
ATLANTIC CITY, July 26.—All along the ersey coast, from Sandy Hook almost to Barnegat, iere is a line of seaside resorts, and the questions saturally arise, "How can all these pay?" and where do all the people come from that one sees at hotel, beach, and promenade? A gentleman who has visited Atlantic City for a number of years stated on Saturday last that Saturday and Sunday there were more people bathing and on the beach than he had ever seen here be-fore. The arrivals Saturday amounted to eighteen hundred persons, and yesterday over eight thousand more "came to town." The West Jersey on Saturday brought ninety-one cars, densely packed, and the Camden and Atlantic one hundred and twenty-five.

THE USUAL SUNDAY BUSH was, however, greatly increased by the announce ment that the pyrotechnic display would be given which was arranged for July 4 and postponed when dark and heavy shadows hung over the Na-tion and horror and dread filled all hearts, when its Chief was stricken down. The news of an unfavorable change in the President's con-dition checked the flow of fun and sombred the evening's enjoyment : but as the last message re ceived was "much more comfortable" and "no as critical as at first supposed," the preparation went on, and a brilliant display was given. When each large piece was presented there was applause, but when the portrait of our President was lit up the enthusiasm knew no bounds. Men shouted and women clapped their hands, and from one ent of the Island to the other sounds of delight were heard. Beneath the portrait were the Saved! A Nation's thanks," and the

SLIGHTEST INTIMATION OF FEAR lest he might not be saved was received with great disapproval and excitement. "He is much more comfortable." Dr. Agnew has telegraphed there is to great cause for alarm, and all such expressions o iope—sweet, comforting hope were heard on every ide. A band was stationed in the pavilion nearest the pyrotechnic scene, and as soon as the portrait of the President was lit they commenced to play the air, "Down with the Traitor and Up with the Star." Some ladies near by started the words of the song in accompaniment, and the crowd joined in the chorus with intense excitement. The presentation of the national emblem and the Falls of Nisgara were also signals for manifestation of approval, but weak when compared with the presentation of the President's portrait. The project of presenting a cottage to the President is exceedingly popular and a general topic of con-versation. One of the Philadelphia papers, which has spoken discouragingly of it, is often severely ommented upon, Judge Typer, First Assistant Postmaster-General, was here last week, and spoke of the cottage project as "testifying strongly to the love, affection, and sympathy which is entertained here for the stricken Chief of the Nation."

THERE HAS BEEN A CRY of dull season, and there is no doubt that the coudition of the President has had an effect upon all watering places; but a large portion of the crowd who came on Saturday have concluded to stay. The invigorating air, delightful bathing, good hotels, and various amusements prove too great a tempta-tion, and "I come for a day, but think I shall stay a week" is frequently heard. Another and a new attraction to Atlantic City is the Atlantic City pier. This is indeed a delightful resort for all who desire to view the sea from a point some distance out. One can very readily imagine that when fair Luna sheds her refulgent rays over THE SEA, AND THE SHAVERY SHEEN

which her light casts over the water so enchantingly is observed, the pier is per excellence the place formaldens bright and fair and gallants brave and true. It must be acknowledged that lassies and laddles of less flowery description avail themselves of the advantages of the pier, as well as those much further advanced in years. The pier is eight hundred feet in length, with two walks, seven and a baif feet in breadth, with two large partitions, one to the content of the pier, as a piece of the piece of t Justice Clifford. While the majority of the rumors did not have the President dead, still according to them he was

In succession of the surgeous express themselves as satisfied with his present condition. A rumor has been circulated that the surgeous express themselves as satisfied with his present condition. A rumor has been circulated that the President had another chill this morning. Those who are thoroughly acquainted with the faces, however, deny the story, and say the them was lacking that air of confidence which has recently prevailed. It was evident that those near to the President has bad no chills subsequent to those occurring previous to the incision. Dr. Agnew has been here, but still they endeavored to be as reassuring as all the morning. One of the consulting surgeons along the pier in the evening, and the usual ques-Hamilton is expected to return to-night, at which tion of gentlemen who have secured the society of time, unless some unforscen emergency arises, is lady for an evening is, "Shall we stroll out on the pler before the concert or hop?" Another amusement which is fashionable here is lawn tennis. Every pleasant morning a tennis club of grounds around the light-house, and many persons go to witness them play. Stepping into the Seaside House on Thursday evening last, I found

enjoying the music of Hasler's Band. We were told that a few evenings before the guests of that popular house were entertained by "birds of song" from Washington—Miss Mary Johnston and Miss Alexander. Mrs. Alexander, Mrs. Ferris (who is stopping at the Brighton), Mrs. and Miss Johnston, and Mrs. Carson, of your city, were present. Mr. and Mrs. George A. Kelly are at the Clarendon. Mrs. Ryan's delightful home, the Colonnade, seems, however, to be the headquarters for Washyard: Mrs. Harry Clapp and her daughter Mrs. Ruff, with many others. Mrs. Ryan expects Miss Annie Story very soon, and this means that the Colonnade will soon be the scene of delightful entertainments, with succeeding hops. After one enjoys a walk upon the pier, then a pleasing m cal and literary entertainment at Mrs. Ryan's, they are fully ready for the grateful, profound Quaker quiet and good night's rest found at the Clarendor

A Senti Race in Prospeci Halifax, N. S., July 26.-John McKay hallenges A. E. Schaefer, of Pittaburg, Pa., to a three-mile scull race, to take place within four weeks, for \$500 or \$1,000 aside. He will allow Schnefer \$250 for expenses to have the contest take place here, or he will row on Silver Lake, Mass, each paying his own expenses. McKay has de-posited \$100 for forfeit with W. L. Lowell & Co The challenge will remain open for ten days.

CAPITAL JOTTINGS.

Tue national bank notes received for edemption yesterday amounted to \$296,000. George W. Brown was yesterday apointed gauger of the fifth district of Virginia THE Government receipts yesterday mounted to-internal revenue, \$187,952.84; cus-

Mr. G. L. Payon, Garfield and Arthur elector from the Second District, has declared for coalition in Virginia, and will canvass his section REPORTS received by the Marine Hos-

pital Service show that during the last fiscal year there were 52,515 men treated at the several hos-pitals. An agent of the Secret Service Division

telegraphs from Montpelier, Ind., that he arrested there yesterday George and Charles Hunter for passing counterfeit silvercoins. Dr. W. W. Douglass, the leading Republican in the Eirst District of Virginia, and one of the ablest men in the South, will this week take the sump for the coalition movement in Virginia, Hox. James H. Platt, Ja., of Virginia,

has been in the city for some days. He declared that every Virginia Republican should support the coalition ticket. He thinks it best for the colored THE Supreme Court room and the chair f Justice Clifford were draped in mourning yes terday, as was also the Department of Justice. The

A TELEGRAM was received at the State Department yesterday from Mr. Angell, United States Minister to China, announcing the ratificaion of the two treaties between the United State and China which were exchanged at Pekir

ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY FRENCH leaves to-day for Massachusetts and New Hampshire. On August 10 he will meet the Treasury cattle commission at Saratoga, where a conference will be held. Judge French will be after being locked up for twenty-four hours, conabsent three weeks. Assistant Secretary Upton, cluded this morning that she would return to 
who is now en route from London, is expected at 
the Department early next week.

Newspaper Statement. A representative of THE NATIONAL RE-FURLICAN yesterday called the attention of ex-Senator Conkling to the following, which was tele-graphed from this city and appeared in the New York Tribuse of yesterday with the caption, "Mr. Conkling Out of Politics:"

Ex-Senator Conking to reported by the Critic, of this city, as saying to one of its reporters to day: "I am done with politics now and forever. This fight is over, and I shall hereafter devote my time and purpose of life to my law practice."

"Is it not true, Senator, that you will enter the next Presidential race!"

"No; most emphatically no! It has been said that it is possible that I would be brought forward as a candidate in the next campaign, but I am not at all solicitous of the honor."

licitous of the honor."
"I hear some talk about your being tendered and cepting a Justiceship on the Supreme Bench of the There is not a word of truth in the report. I was ndered the Chief Justiceship during President rant's administration and declined it. You can rest

Mr. Conkling was asked if it was true. He replied: "Certainly not; it is but one more added to the thousand instances of misrepresenta-tion and fabrication. There is not an ingredient of truth in it. I have had no such conversation with a newspaper reporter or anybody else. In-deed, I have not spoken with a newspaper repre-sentative since coming to Washington. The whole

FOR COALITION IN VIRGINIA. ator Frye, of Maine, Swings in with

thing is entirely out of whole cloth."

the Lendjusters. The following letter from Senator Frye, f Maine, to Hon. John Ambler Smith explains

Itself:

LEWISTON, ME., July 25, 1881.

Hon. JOHN AMBLER SETTE, Richmond, Va.:

My DEAR STR: Your communication received. In reply to your inquiry as to my opinion of the Mahone movement in Virginia, I answer briefly:

First—As to the State debt, I repudiate all repudia-

tion—National, State, county, and city; but I have no confidence in the financial integrity of the party known in Virginia as the Bourbon, and, so far as that question is concerned, would sooner trust the Read Second-As to every other question affecting the

prosperity of the State, the good of the people, the educational interests and the rights of citizens, from my present information I should certainly join issue with the Bourbon party, and, in order to achieve any success, should not hesitate to units, with the Readjusters. Respectfully,

O'Ponovan Rossa's Benial.

New York, July 26.—O'Donovan Rossa, who is charged with being implicated in the shipping of barrels of dynamite to England ports, by steamers sailing from this city, to-night furnished the following letter of denial for publication: "My name has been used in connection with the shipment of infernal machines on some of the steamers leaving this port. English papers call on the American Government to suppress such actions on the part of the Fenians in New York. They purported to have seized barrels of cement cor taining machines charged with dynamite, and that my name was found on papers thereon. How If we sent such, more caution would hane been used. My printed circulars would not be inclosed as an advertisement, and, moreover, if such were sent by the skirmishing fund, they would not be sent to blow up steamers leaving our port and earrying some of our dearest friends."

The Commissioner of Indian Affairs with a view to effecting some friendly ar rangements looking to the gradual consoli dation of the various indian agencies and bringing nearer together the various tribes of Indians, who are now scattered over a wide area, sent out letters to the Poncas, Omahas Winnebagoes, and lower agency Sioux, inviting them to send three delegates from each tribe to Washington by August 15. Replies have been received from each of those tribes, declaring their

of the marshals or deputies to arrest McDow. Com-missioner Raum, in reply to this Information, sent the following telegram to Deputy Collector Noah

"Offer \$300 reward for the arrest and delivery to United States Marshal Brythe of Mc. ow for the murder of Deputy Collector Brayton." The Chinese and America. to-morrow will contain a report of an interview with Ten Soon Kee, an attache of the Chinese embassy at Washington. He says that the Chinese students withdrawn from America will be sent to England, France, and Germany. They number one hundred. The Chinese government will here-after educate students in America and also in China, where military and mayal schools are being established. The inference drawn by the interview is that the Chinese government fears the progressiveness of American institutions. Ten Soon Kee says the new embassy, headed by Jam Tsan Roo, will go to Washington in December.

At Worcester, Mass.-Worcesters, 9

At New York-Metropolitans, 13; Bostons, 1. At Detroit-Chicagos, 9; Detroits, 4. At Troy-Providence, 11: Troy, 4, At Philadelphin-Athletics, 7; Quicksteps, 1,

> TELEGRAPHIC TWISTINGS. -Charles Christian Bruhns, the emi-

nent German astronomer, is dead.

—Blanco Flores, the Mexican murderer nd ex-member of the Vasquez gang of bandits, as killed near Yuma, Cal., while attempting to cape from custedy.

—A meeting of the Republican Asso-

lation in Rome last evening resolved to organize legal agitation throughout the kingdom for the -The Hon. William L. Owen, a promi-

nent citizen and wealthy capitalist, of Danville Va., died at his residence in Halifax County on Friday night, aged sixty-eight years.

-The dory City of Bath sailed from Prepassey, Newfoundland, yesterday, for Havre, with the wind west and fine weather. The crew was u good spirits and confident of reaching their des-

-A new London newspaper, called the Econing News, made its appearance yesterday. It is of the same shape and price as the Echo and is printed on light blue paper. Its politics appear to be moderate Liberal. -The doctors attending Mr. Boynton, a

prisoner under the coercion act in Dublin, says his patient is in a dangerous state of health, and that his eyesight has greatly failed. The prison doctor will report on the case. -The Viceroy of India telegraphs as

follows: "News from Candshar of the 22d instant announces that Ayoob Khan, having arrived with bis army within two marches of the Helmund River, is not going for peace. -Much damage to the farm lands and

suffering to cattle is being caused by the prolonged frought around Long Braneb. The army worm thrive on the parched grain and clover fields. A repetition of last summer's terrible drought is

-R. W. Kiple, for many years proprieor of the Kiple House, at Housedale, Pa., a promi-tion of the Kiple House, at Housedale, Pa., a promi-tion of Wayne County, was found dead in its bed yesterday morning. He had retired in ap-arent good health at ten o'clock last night. His eath was caused by heart disease.

-William Gavon, in Troy, N. Y., while suffering from delirium tremens, leaped head fore-most yesterday morning over a precipice 125 feet high to the rugged bed of the Poestinkill Creek. He was terribly cut and bruited but will probably recover. His escape is miraculous.

-Ann Brevere, who brought her aged and infirm husband from Johnstown, Pa., and attempted to desert him on the streets of Jersey City, JUNTAIN AIR

FROM THE WEST VIRGINIA HILLS. Green Hamlet Where Everybody Enjoys Them-

selves-The Ride to Aurora-How Washington People Are Enjoying Themselves-Personal Notes

Special Correspondence of THE REFUELICAN.

AURORA, PRESTON COUNTY, W. VA., July 24.—An absence of fashion, style, dress, and the demands of society is one of the chief recommendations of this green mountain hamlet. Many Washington people go out over the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad to the sparkling waters of Berkeley Springs and to enjoy the delightful mountain air of Deer Park and Oakland. Every summer is adding to the popularity of this line of excursion for comfortably and effectively escaping the heat and worry of the glistening white city. I have trav-eled many times over the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, and added to the charms of its scenery is the fact that I have always found the trainmen, sured that I shall not accept the position, even if it the employees of the road, gentlemanly and studi-ous to accommodate and render travel pleasant. THE LITTLE THINGS OF LIFE

go far toward its "make-up," you know. Friday it rained. So Saturday we found the trip up the Potomac Valley and mountains delightfully breezy and free from dust. Crossing the forked, spider-web bridge at Harper's Ferry, we read the legend on "John Bawen's Fort" and those of the patent medicine and piano and organ men on the grand, frowning cliffs. At Sir John's Run quite a party left our train to take the four-horse stage, carriages, and mountain wagons in waiting to convey them up the woody gorge to Berkeley, two and a half miles away. In the stage and on top of it the people and baggage piled. The mail boy rolled his plethoric mail beg on the front end of his horse, rolled in behind it, and "rolled out;" and just as the train pulled out one of the carriage teams started a runaway down the Berkeloy road, and the Run-away. Away up toward Cumberland we met the swelling tide of the rain-replenished river, rolling down over the rocky rapids and overflowed grasses and reeds—a brown flood. Then, as we start from Piedmont up, we get right among the mountains; they tower on every hand-woody glants; and below our winding track, through the tops of trees and vista-glimpes, gleams the four-ing waters of river and brook hurrying and hurting down the mountains in dim, echoing ravines and gorges. Then come the broad, light green

GLADES OF DEER PARK. the wide meadows and the luxuriant cat fields. The hotel is full; a merry crowd of people is about the station. Baggage is going up the long green slope to the hotel. An extra gay pavilion is being spread on the lawn, and people sit about on the grass. Eight minutes and a half sweep us down the glade along the Yak-the six miles to Oak land. Ah, what a delicious, permeating moun-tain air! It was six o'clock as, scated in an open carriage, our party turned their faces toward the setting sun for a twelve rilles' ride over a delightful road to this charming mountain region of beauty, comfort, mountain spring water, trout fish-ing, romantic walks, and magnificent drives and

I dream of uplands, where the primrose shines And waves her reliow lumps above the lea; Of tangled copses, swung with trailing vines; Of open vistas, skirted with tall places, Where green fields wait for me

These dreams of summer come to bid me find The forest's shade, the wild bird's melody. While summer's rosy wreaths for me are twined. While summer's frogrance lingers on the wind, And green fields wait for me.

And this is the place. A number of Washington copie are here, and a number come here every namer. This season Mr. Shaffer has improved and bettered the "Aurora House," and not only is this hotel full, but the town is full to overflow-ing. The Aurora House has probably turned away as many this summer as its excellent host has been able to secommodate. An excellent table, a clean house, and cheap rates combine to make this a popular place for persons—invalids or those demanding rest-who can't afford and don't want the show and the fusey luxury and demands on time and purse of the fancy-priced watering-place or summer resort. There is no better place for Deputy Collector of Internal Revenue those in the Departments and offices of Washington to spend their leaves and vacations, region immediately about Aurora

IN A LIMESTONE COUNTRY, der Depuis By on rainer strated and found it descried, morning of the 21st instant and found it descried, McDow and family having fied to parts unknown. The The revenue party returned to Spartanburg. The trees, shrubs, flowers, and translating and trees, shrubs, flowers, and translating part for super-Deer Park. Right here is the divide of the Allegiveny Range. This is on top-2,000 feet above tide-water-and from here the waters flow west into Cheat River, six miles away, and into the Ohio, or eastward to the Potomac. The spring-fed mountain brooks and streams are alive with the speckled beauties," mountain trout.

THE WASHINGTON PROPLE HERR are Mr. Cauldwell, of the Treasury Department and family; Judge Vail, also of the Treasury, and family; Judge Kilpatrick and wife, Major Dinwiddy and family; Dr. Crissey, of the Land Office and family: T. E. Woods, Sixth Auditor's Office family; Mr. Ashbul Riley and wife, Miss Beall, of leorgetown; Mrs. and Miss Miller, from the Ham-lton House; Mrs. McLellan, nurse and babe; Mrs. Dr. Clark, Mrs. Hertzog, and Mrs. Barden and son. Then, from other places there are Mr. Sterling postmaster of Wheeling, and wife, and Miss May Lillian Pinkham, of North Carolina. A party of Wheeling people left yesterday, to be replaced by another party in the morning. Other Washington people will also be here the present week, as they can find comfortable quarters.

SAN FRANCISCO MINT.

Commencement of the Investigation by Director Blanchard. San Francisco, July 26.—The taking of testimony in the investigation of mint affairs was commenced to-day. Mr. Blanchard, as counsel for Page, announced that he was ready to pro-ceed. Under the ninth charge the administration of Dodge was extravagant, law defying, and cor rupt. It was expected to prove that Dodge re-ceived builton under nine hundred fine and re-mitted the charges of deductions; that builton known as Northern Belle was received from the Anglo-California Bank, and that it was unfit for use hereby entailing great loss to the Government hat his attention was called to the quality of the builton, and that he neglected to remedy the evil that his action was in the interest of the deposit ors, and caused loss to the Government; that th sses to the Government in the manipulation of allyer bullion have been unusual and extravagant that bullion has been stolen, and, while some guilty parties were prosecuted, others were allowed to resign, and such facts were not reported to the dat. They received their commissions as I did The assayer determines the character of the bullion and fixes the charges. My instructions are not to receive buillon below 900 fine. These instructions were received about a year ago. Before that I took buillon as low as 500 fine. The refiner did not object to receiving builton below the standard. Depositors paid parting and refining charges; made no deductions to save the Government from oss, as none was necessary; the law did not require. Losses in coinage and refining are unavoidable Probably they would not have been so great had deductions been made. The Angio-Californian Dank has deposited others than Northern Belle bullion; the latter is fit for coinage, and the employees did not complain of this class of bullion. Mr. Low. —Harry Abbott, son of General H. L.

Abbott, U.S. A., stationed at Willett's Points, N. Y.,
died Monday evening from injuries received a few
bours before by falling from a load of hay onto the
pointed end of a stake of the wagon. The stake
'(on. There were no just grounds for suspicion on espicions of misconduct; it was done as a precau-ion. There were no just grounds for suspicion on my part. Adjourned. An Interesting Time.

GETTYSBURG, PA., July 26,-The Grand

rmy encampment at this place, under command of Senior Vice-Commandant F. H. Dyer, with slonel Ashton, Colonel Ward, and many others accompanied by the Weccacoe Legion Band, of Philadelphia, paid their respects this morning to the widow of the late General George G. Meade at Gettysburg Springs, and lendered her a screnade, which was gracefully acknowledged. The visit f Mrs. Meade and family to the Springs and the encampment of the Grand Army on the battle-field has made the occasion one of special interest to the Pennsylvania soldiers who took part in the battle, as well as to the thousands of visitors at

LIFE AND PROPERTY.

Destruction by Fire-The Losses and Is BALTIMORE, July 26 .- A destructive fire

broke out at one o'clock this morning in the exten sive pork-packing and lard refinery establishmen of Cassard Brothers & Co., 210 and 212 East Fayett street, entirely destroying the building, with a considerable amount of atock. The flames spread rapidly to the tin-can factory of George L. Krebs. which was destroyed. Several adjacent building occupied as residences took fire and were dam-aged to some extent. The total loss is estimated by the fire inspector at \$100,000. Cassard Bros. & Co. are insured for \$23,500 on building and ma chinery and \$60,000 on stock, as follows: On build-ing, \$9,500 in Howard of Ballimore; \$5,000, Royal Liverpool; \$2,500, Girard, Philadelphia, and \$6,500 on machinery in Home of Baltimore. On stock, \$5,000 each in Bowery, New York: Security, New Haven; Fire Association, Philadelphia; Exchange, New York; Manufacturers', Boston: Associated, Saltimore: Republic, New York: British America, foronto: Mechanica, Brooklyn, and \$2,500 each n Watertown, New York: American, New York: Relief, New York; Star, New York; Clinton, New York, and National, of Baltimore. Mr. George L. Krebs is insured on stock, building, and machluery \$31,500, as follows: On building, \$1,500 each in People's, of Newark; British America, and Fire Association, of Philadelphia. On stock, \$14,500 in the Firemen's, of Baltimore; \$2,500 in Howard, of Baltimore; \$2,500 in Watertown, New York; \$2,500 in the Bowery, New York; \$2,000 in Phomix, Con-necticut; \$2,000 in Baltimore Fire, and \$1,000 in the Revere, Boston. The above includes the principal

Revere, Boston. The above includes the principal loss, other damages being distributed in small amounts among the various owners of residences of the neighborhood.

At Eric, Pa.—A fire last night originated in the chair factory of Hineman & Chency and spread to R. Jones' cheese factory, causing a total loss of from \$40,000 to \$50,000, on which there is an interest of form \$40,000 to \$50,000, on which there is an interest of the second of the seco insurance of from \$10,000 to \$15,000. The principal ers are Hineman & Chency, \$20,000, and R. nes, \$16,000.

At Boston, Mass,-Samuel Paul's lumber yard, at Stoughton, Mass., was destroyed by an incendiary fire last night. The loss is \$5,000; fully insured. . At Muir, Mich.—Early Monday morning a small house, occupied by Alonzo Derrick, his wife, and six children, accidentally took fire, and was burned to the ground. The fire originated in an upper chamber, where three of the children—one a deaf mute, aged eleven years, and two other boys, aged respectively eight and five years—were sleeping, and it was impossible to rescue them. They were burned to an indis-tinguishable mass. The remains of the three were gathered up and buried in one coffin.

At Portsmouth, N. H .- The fine farm buildings belonging to the Adams estate at Newfield, Me., were fired by lightning last evening and burned. Loss, about \$10,000, partially insured.

WHITE HOUSE MALARIA. What is Said of the Missma from the Po

tarane Flats. In regard to the malarial influences which the President is subject while lying unable to move in the White House, the following edi-torials will show that the necessity of action to-ward reclaiming the flats on the river front is reeciving the attention from the country at large that Washingtonians have urged for some years: It is unquestionable that the President has narrowly caped a crisis which threatened for some time to prove fatal. Nor does it appear that it was a crisis which could have been prevented by his skillful medi-cal attendants. The fact is that President Garneld

cal attendants. The fact is that President Garried came within a hair's-breadth of being killed by the assassin's bullet, and never since he was shot has he really been out of danger. His good spirits, his plucky endurance, his dotermination to "pull through," are more heighful than any medicines he has taken or any anodynes that have been applied. He is still in a precarious condition, and a slight relapse may prove istal. He has the terrible heat of summer against him, which no artificial arrangements can entirely neutralize. The White House is not in a healthy locality, and he is in a condition to be affected by malarial or other unfavorable influences. That he may live and be able to discharge the duties of his great office is the carriest prayer of every good citizen. But it is useless to shut our eyes to the fact that he holds jist life by a frail tenure, and while hoping for the best it is wise to be prepared for

to the fact that he holds his life by a frail tenure, and while hoping for the best it is wise to be prepared for the worst.—New Fore Express.

Despite the severe shock to the President by the surgical operation of Sanday, he seems to be improving gradually, but surely. The removal of the abacess seems to have relieved him of fever to a considerable extent, which is a great achievement in itself but, what is of more importance, the operation has probably prevented pyemis, which would soon have ended his life in his present weakened condition. The danger of blood poisoning may not be past, but it has danger of blood poisoning may not be past, but it has heen greatly lessened, and the hopes of the at-tending surgeons for his recovery are revived upon excellent grounds. He had a slight retion, or of malarial influences known to exist at the White House. As soon as it will be sale to remove the patient to the sea-shore his febrile symptoms will doubt! as disappear, and with them his "rigors," or chill. Taking into consideration what the attending surgeons have recently discovered, the President is "getting along nicely," as Dr. Bliss puts it, and while it would be idle to say that he is yet out of danger, there is certainly good reason to believe that he will not succumb to his terrible wound. He has lived through too much during the past twenty-two days to sink now, unless his blood should become rapidly poisoned, which is not likely as long as the pus it reely taken from his body-Philasteighia Depater.

freely taken from his body-Philadelphia Inquire Madrid, July 26 .- The Spanish ambas under at the Vatican will be instructed to convey to the Pope the deep regret of the Spanish govern ment at the disturbances during the removal of the remains of Pius IX. RONE, July 26.—The Osservatore Romano publishes

telegrams to the Pope from priests, chiefly Span-ish, and belonging to religious societies, protesting against the insults offered to the remains of

The Sprague Estate.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., July 26.—The Butler syndicate has made two or three unsatisfactory of-lers for the Sprague estate. The committee of creditors to-day informed the representatives of the syndicate that if a clear offer of \$4,000,000

mittee would recommend its acceptance. Lustice Clifford's Funeral.

PORTLAND, Mr., July 26,-The funeral of Justice Nathan Clifford has been postponed one day, and will take place on Thursday at three p. m. The family service will be held at the resi dence of William Henry Clifford

Coming to This Country. Lospos, July 26.-The News' Berlin correspondent states that the well-known socialist Andorff, banished from Hamburg, has emigrated

to America with three other banished socialists. ARMY AND NAVY NEWS.

The United States steamer Alarm left he New York navy-yard yesterday afternoon on ter trial trip. The United States steamer Powhatan eft the Charlestown (Mass.) navy-yard yesterday morning for Newport, R. I.

Ensign John N. Jordan has been desched from the United States steamer Tennessee, and ordered to duty on the Coast Survey. Medical Inspector Charles S. Burbank, o the United States steamer Shenandoah and as leet surgeon of the South Atlantic station, per teamer of the 5th of August uext from New York. Cadet Midshipmen Harry K. White, Charles W. Stewart, Thomas H. Matthews, William H. Stayton, George Clarke, O. E. Miller, and Henry B. Wisson have been ordered to the United States steamer Tennesses, at New London, Com. The following-named officers of the

Colonel J. G. Benton and Lieutenant-Colonel A. R. Bufflington, of the Ordnance De-partment, members of the board on heavy ord-

heavy ordnance and projectiles, convened by gen

Under date United States Naval Academy, July 25, Rear-Admiral C. R. P. Rogers writes to the Secretary of the Navy, inclosing copies of the last reports of the commanders of the practiceships. Admiral Rogers says: "Cadet roidshipmen in the Constellation and Dale have had hard and in the Conscillation and Bale have bed hard and steady work since they left here, and the reports of their improvement are very satisfactory. The cadet engineers have been equally well employed in diligent study of the workshops, founderies, &c., on the Belaware River and at New York and vicinity. They will, in a few days, visit the establishments of the same character in New Rogland. I propose to leave here to-morrow on my way to join the ships at the North."

ONLY FIVE DOLLARS.

FARES FROM BOSTON TO CHICAGO.

A Remarkable Cutting of Rates on the Railroads to the West-Prospects of Free Trips to the Land of the Setting Sun.

"What is the rate to Chicago to-day ?" Passenger Agent Carpenter, of the Pennsylvania Railroad, was asked inte yesterday afternoon, "It opened at 39 with us, and about midday dropped to \$5.50. I have a scout out now, and is he reports any cutting below that rate we shall meet it. The great cut to-day has been made be-tween Boston and Chicago. The Grand Trunk of Canada has reduced its rate to St. and the Boston

and Albany has followed it in the reduction. "Will that break the New York rate to \$57"
"It may; but not necessarily. The tickets are rebate tickets—the buyer paying \$15 and having \$10 refunded to him at Chicago. If we meet the rate over our route from Boston to Chicago via New York, we will sell only ironelad rebate tickets, making the purchaser sign here and again at Chi-

The other roads had also reduced their rates to Chicago to \$8.50. "We opened this morning at \$10," said the New York Central agent, "but afterward dropped to \$9, and then to \$8.50." The rate to Chicanati is now \$8, and to \$1. Louis \$13.75. Nothing definite seemed to be known at the resu-Nothing definite seemed to be known at the regular offices about the cut in the northern routes from Boston, but it was agreed that there was no telling yet when bottom would be reached or how

the war would be ended. The ticket brokers, as usual, undersold the regu-lar offices yesterday. Lansing, at 397 Broadway, said: "The Pennsylvania led the way in cutting today, and we keep about fifty cents below its rates, We can undersell the Pennsylvania all the time, and can do it on their ewn tickets, too. There will be another cut to-morrow, but I don't see how the roads here can meet the Boston \$5 rate. The fare by boat from Boston here is \$4, and by rail \$5, and he roads have to pay these rates to their connec tions. If the Pennsylvania reduces its tickets from Boston to Chicago to \$5, it will simply be carrying passengers from New York to Chicago

free."-New York Sun of yesterday. PHILADELPHIA, July 26 .- The Pennsylrania Railroad to-day reduced rates of through imited tickets as follows: From New York to Thicago, \$8.50; Cincinnati, \$7.50; St. Louis, \$11.50 system of rebate tickets will go into effect on the 'ennsylvania line to-morrow. An incr he regular reduced price of \$10 will be he money to be returned to the passenger when h

eaches his destination. Bostos, July 26.—The Herald says there is ne change to-day in the situation of the warfire in passenger, rates to Chicago from this city. The Grand Trunk and Vermont Central lines are sell-ing a rebate Chicago ticket for 55, and the Boston and Albany and Hoosac Tunnel lines are doing Newise, and, in addition, selling tickets at the same rate to Toronto, not Ottawa, as was stated restorder, and Detroit. Inquiries made at the offices of the several lines deve. the fact that increase in travel has not as yet been marked. There have been many inquiries, but the actual sales have not been noticeably aug-mented. The Grand Trunk and Vermont Central lines say that the end of the war is near and that they have not reduced the rate to-day to \$3, as it was declared they would yesterday. If, however, there is not a speedy termination to the present warfare this reduction will be made. At last accounts no tickets had been sold in New York at less than \$8.50. Should the rate there drop to \$5 to-day a conference of railroad magnates will be held. Boston, July 26.—The indications are now that

the management of the Boston and Albany an Fitchburg Railroads, in connection with the New York Central, have come to the conclusion tha they were furnishing patrons who were desirous of going West with too much for their money in the line of cheap transportation, since they have, commencing with this afternoon raised their rates to Chicago to \$9.50 from the \$ rate in force this forceon and yesterday. The rate is \$1 higher than the rate from New York to Chicago. The roads mentioned express a determination to keep the Boston rate within \$1 of the New York. The Grand Trunk and Central Ver-mont Railway are still charging \$5, and are combdent o maintaining this rate for some time yet.

EVENTS ON THE TURF.

Bacing at Saratoga-Close Contests Else-SARATOGA, July 26.—To-day was the meeting days, ar terer won by three lengths, Girotle second siz

lengths in front of Ripple third, Julia Bruce fourth and Gladiols fifth, beaten off. Girofle and Ripple pulled up before reaching the wire. Time, 1:49% Pools paid \$81.40. Second race, sequel stakes, for three-year-olds \$40 each, private purso with \$700 added, one mile and three quarters. Pools—Hindoo, \$300; Green land, \$85; Valentine, \$10. Hindoo passed under the wire six lengths in front of Greenland, whe

was pulled up. Valentine was beaten a hundred yards. Time, 3.21. French pools paid 56,90
Third race, free handlesp, one mile and five furlougs. Pools—George McCullough, 8500; Marj Anderson, \$405; Governor Hampton, \$200; Bush whacker, \$100, and Cinderella, \$80. Governor Hampton won by two lengths, and George Me-Cullough beat Cinderella the same distance for second place. Bushwhucker finished fourth an Mary Anderson pulled up last. French pools paid \$48.60

Fourth race, free handicap steeplechase, abou one and a half miles. After taking the last jump Postguard's jockey reined him close to the rail causing Postguard to foul Wayfarer, throwing him against the corner of the rail, and making bit turn a complete somersault. McGrath, the jockey was thrown five feet in the air, but was uninjured Wayfarer had a hole cut in his shoulder ten inches deep, and was injured so hally that he was afterward shot. Trouble finished two lengths in front of Postguard second, Rosella third, twelve lengths away. Zera a bad fourth. Time, 201.

Fast Racing in Chicago. Critcago, July 26.—The last day of the summer meeting at the Chicago driving park had fine weather and a fair attendance. The following is a summary of the events: First race for collagand fillies, four years and under. Pail Thompson, 1, 1, 1 : Director, 2, 2, 2 : Clemmie G., 3, 3, 4 : Mamie, 4, 5, 5 : Tucker, 5, 4, 4 : Time, 2:25, 2:24%, 2:21 : Phil Thompson thus beats the fiestest three-year-old per-formance by 21/2s. The winner is owned by C. H. Raymond, of New York city, and his performance is noticeable on account of the fastest time being made in the last heat, and because the three-yearold outclassed the older horses in the heat with him. Had he been sent for time in the second him. Had he been sent for time in the account heat he could probably have bestien the best four-year-old record of 2:19%. In the last heat the dis-tance was waived in order to allow him to show what he could do without detriment to the other coits in the race. Second race, 2:21 class, purse \$250, divided, with

\$500 extra to the winner of a faster local than 2:1754 Piedmont, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2; Alexander, 3, dis-tanced. Time, 2:18, 2:1954, 2:19. Third race, 2:19 class, purse \$2,500, divided, with

\$500 extra for a better heat than 2.16. Wedgewood, 1, 1, 1; Driver, 2, 2, 2; Kitty Bates, 3, 3, 3; Orange iiri, distanced. Time, 2:22%, 2:19%, 2:19%. Third race, 223 trotters (unitabled at dark), Plot R., J. 2, 1, 1; Kate Sprague, 1, 1, 3, 4; Edwin Thorne, 2, 3, 2, 2; Jewett, 4, 4, 4, 3. Time, 22154. Little Brown Jug to-day again attempted to beat rdnance Department, members of the board on 21214 for a special purse, but only succeeded in pacing a mile in 2:13. The meeting has been a

financial success, netting about \$15,000 to the man-

New York, July 26.—Mayor Grace had conference to-day with the city laborers, who have petitioned him to use his efforts with heads of departments and have their wages increased. He said he was satisfied of the justice of their claim and would recommend the heads of the several departments of the city government that cent, in all cases where such advance would not be precluded by express provisions of law. He warned them, however, that such an increase would decrease the number of persons employed, as the departments could not exceed the appropri ations made for the present year.

M. Blanc's Widow Bend. London, July 26 .- A dispatch to the News from Paris says the widow of M. Blane, the proprietor of the Menaco gambling room, is dead. She loaves an enormous fortune.